

## **Appendix C**

# **LAND ACQUISITION AND MANAGEMENT**



## LAND ACQUISITION ACTIVITY REPORT

This section summarizes the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD or District) land acquisition activity during the Fiscal Year 2002, beginning October 1, 2001 through September 30, 2002 (Plan Year). A total of 26,510 acres of land were acquired at a cost of \$195,484,861. The summary details the purchase of land for various projects and the funding of these purchases with Water Management Lands Trust Fund (WMLTF), Preservation 2000 (P-2000), District and other State money. In addition, a description of joint acquisition projects using Conservation and Recreation Lands (CARL) funding is provided.

### Save Our Rivers (SOR) Program

A total of \$540,161 of WMLTF money was used to fund acquisitions in the following projects during the Plan Year:

- Kissimmee River Restoration (KRR) - Acquired 14 parcels, totaling 7 acres for a total purchase price of \$491,561 of which \$328,561 was funded using WMLTF money.
- Biscayne Coastal Wetlands - Acquired 2 parcels, totaling 77 acres for a total purchase price of \$153,500; all of which was funded using WMLTF money.
- Water Conservation Areas (WCA) - Acquired 5 parcels, totaling 1,412 acres for a total purchase price of \$143,300 of which \$58,100 was funded using WMLTF money.

### Preservation 2000 Program

A total of \$28,022,209 of P-2000 money was used to fund acquisitions in the following projects during the Plan Year:

- East Coast Buffer - Acquired 160 parcels, totaling 2,156 acres for a total purchase price of \$110,838,291 of which \$2,200 was funded using P-2000 money.
- Kissimmee River Chain of Lakes (KCOL) - Acquired 17 parcels, totaling 6,319 acres for a total purchase price of \$43,771,809 of which \$27,771,809 was funded using P-2000 money.
- Kissimmee River Restoration (KRR) - Acquired 14 parcels, totaling 7.15 acres for a total purchase price of \$491,561 of which \$163,000 was funded using P-2000 money.
- Water Conservation Areas (WCA) - Acquired 5 parcels, totaling 1,412 acres for a total purchase price of \$143,300 of which \$85,200 was funded using P-2000 money.

## **Save Our Everglades (SOE) Program, District and Other State Funding**

A total of \$110,686,785 of SOE money; \$665,827 of District funds, including Mitigation; and \$5,105,952 of other State money was used to fund acquisitions in the following projects during the Plan Year:

- Corkscrew Regional Ecosystem Watershed (CREW) - Acquired 105 parcels, totaling 784 acres for a total purchase price of \$3,601,495 of which \$53,100 was funded using District funds.
- East Coast Buffer - Acquired 160 parcels, totaling 2,156 acres for a total purchase price of \$110,838,291 of which \$82,145,486 was funded using SOE money, \$93,650 using Mitigation funds and \$5,105,952 using other State funds.
- Allapattah Ranch (Indian River Lagoon - South) - Acquired 1 parcel, totaling 13,186 acres for a total purchase price of \$29,667,465 of which \$22,250,599 was funded using SOE money. Through participation in the Federal Wetlands Reserve Program, the District will receive revenue in relation to this parcel. The total amount of revenue is yet to be determined, but it is expected to be used for land management, additional acquisitions or related activities.
- C-23/C-24 Reservoir (Indian River Lagoon - South) - Acquired 4 parcels, totaling 1,133 acres for a total purchase price of \$6,290,700; all of which was funded using SOE money.
- Lake Okeechobee Water Retention - Acquired 4 parcels, totaling 13 acres for a total purchase price of \$14,800 all of which was funded using other District money.
- Pal Mar - Acquired 45 parcels, totaling 52 acres for a total purchase price of \$15,325 of which approximately half or \$7,662 was funded using Mitigation money.
- S-26 and Faka Union Canal - The District used \$496,615 for facilities related land acquisitions in the Plan Year.

## **Conservation and Recreation Land (CARL) Program**

A total of \$20,561,260 of CARL money was used to fund acquisitions in the following projects during the Plan Year:

- Corkscrew Regional Ecosystem Watershed (CREW) - Acquired 105 parcels, totaling 784 acres for a total purchase price of \$3,601,495 of which \$3,001,295 was funded using CARL money.

- East Coast Buffer - Acquired 160 parcels, totaling 2,156 acres for a total purchase price of \$110,838,291 of which \$1,559,965 was funded using CARL money.
- Kissimmee River Chain of Lakes (KCOL) - Acquired 17 parcels, totaling 6,319 acres for a total purchase price of \$43,771,809 of which \$16,000,000 was funded using CARL money.

The land acquisitions accomplished by the District in the Plan Year were possible only through support and coordination with local, state and federal governments; state and federal agencies; and in cooperation with the general public. The following table provides additional details regarding the land acquisition activity and funding for land purchases in the Plan Year, including contributions of \$14,201,973 made by the federal government; \$15,700,694 made by local governments; and donations made by the general public.

**Table C-1.** Acquisition Activity Report (Fiscal Year 2002).

Project Names	Parcel	Acres	Price	CARL	District	Federal	State	Mitigation	P-2000	Local Gov't	SOE	WMLTF	TOTALS
Corkscrew Regional Ecosystem Watershed													
Critical Flowway	1	1.05	\$53,100		\$53,100								\$53,100
CS	104	782.62	\$3,548,395	\$3,001,295		\$547,100							\$3,548,395
East Coast Buffer	158	2,145.00	\$110,613,451	\$1,559,965		\$13,555,033	\$5,105,952	\$93,650	\$2,200	8,276,165	\$82,020,486		\$110,613,451
EBS	2	11.18	\$224,840			\$99,840					\$125,000		\$224,840
Kissimmee Chain of Lakes (KCOL)	17	6,318.78	\$43,771,809	\$16,000,000					\$27,771,809				\$43,771,809
Kissimmee River (KRR)	14	7.15	\$491,561						\$163,000			\$328,561	\$491,561
Indian River Lagoon South													
Allapattah Ranch	1	13,185.54	\$29,667,465							\$7,416,866	\$22,250,599		\$29,667,465
C-23/C-24 Storage Reservoir	4	1,132.87	\$6,290,700								\$6,290,700		\$6,290,700
Biscayne Coastal Wetlands	2	76.77	\$153,500									\$153,500	\$153,500
Lake Okeechobee Water Retention	4	13.05	\$14,800		\$14,800								\$14,800
Pal-Mar	45	51.74	\$15,325					\$7,662		\$7,663			\$15,325
WCA	5	1,412.00	\$143,300							\$85,200		\$58,100	\$143,300
Faka Union Canal	3	1.00	\$5,615		\$5,615								\$5,615
S-26	3	1.22	\$491,000		\$491,000								\$491,000
Donations													
C-51/L-8 Basin Modification & Reservoir	1	203.20											
Pal-Mar	21	16.75											
C-4*	2	0.22											
Mitigation	36	1,149.85											
<b>Totals</b>	<b>423</b>	<b>26,510</b>	<b>\$195,484,861</b>	<b>\$20,561,260</b>	<b>\$564,515</b>	<b>\$14,201,973</b>	<b>\$5,105,952</b>	<b>\$101,312</b>	<b>\$28,022,209</b>	<b>\$15,700,694</b>	<b>\$110,686,785</b>	<b>\$540,161</b>	<b>\$195,484,861</b>

\*less than fee

## **Land Stewardship Project Summaries**

### **Background**

The Save Our Rivers (SOR) program began in 1981 with the legislative enactment of the Water Management Lands Trust Fund, Chapter 373.59, Florida Statutes (F.S.), which enabled the five water management districts to buy lands needed for water management, water supply and the conservation and protection of water resources, and to make them available for appropriate public use. Since that time South Florida Water Management District has purchased more than 300,000 acres of environmentally sensitive land (not including 800,000 acres in the three Water Conservation Areas). The attached table describes SFWMD's current list of governing board-approved Save Our Rivers projects. While all are approved projects, no land has been purchased in a number of them. Others are considered "water management" projects and will be incorporated into the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan. Many of these properties are still under agricultural lease and are described under the Land Management Division section. The following project descriptions are limited to those where lands have been purchased for their environmental, as well as water resource, values and are being managed as such. Projects are organized by land management region.

### **Land Stewardship Program Operational Structure**

The Land Stewardship Program is responsible for the planning and management of SOR lands and the implementation and administration of mitigation banks and regional off-site mitigation areas. The Land Stewardship Program has direct management responsibility for approximately 170,000 acres in 14 projects, including two mitigation banks and several regional mitigation areas. An additional 184,234 acres are managed by contracts and leases with federal state and local units of government administered by the Stewardship Program.

Land stewardship functions consist of four major tasks

- Hydrologic and habitat restoration
- Control of exotic vegetation
- Prescribed burning
- Public use & resource protection

Land managers with responsibility for SOR projects in the five land management regions are based in service centers throughout the District. Planning and administration of the program is handled out of District headquarters in West Palm Beach.

The program is funded primarily by the Water Management Land Trust Fund (WMLTF) with additional funds provided by off-site mitigation and lease revenue. Considerable in-kind services are also donated by local governments and volunteers. No ad valorem tax revenues are expended by the Stewardship Program.

## **Upper Lakes Land Management Region**

### **Kissimmee Chain of Lakes**

A management plan for the Chain of Lakes will be prepared in fiscal year (FY) 2003. Acquisition of the Kissimmee Chain of Lakes project was designed to provide the capacity to store and flow water up to the 54 foot National Geodetic Vertical Datum (NGVD) contour line. Public access to most of the land is by boat. Resource management goals for the Chain of Lakes are to maintain and, where possible, restore natural communities, provide cost effective resource protection and provide opportunities for compatible public use. In FY 2002, 5,200 acres were treated for exotic plants. Staff also roller chopped 300 acres of dense wax myrtles to improve the conditions of the wet prairie communities on Gardner-Cobb Marsh. There are several active cattle leases and reservations in this area.

### **Lake Marion Creek**

The Lake Marion Creek Management Plan was implemented in 1999. Primary stewardship activities, which are consistent with the management plan, include prescribed burning, exotic plant control, resource protection and public use. The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) participates as a cooperative management partner by conducting a hunt program and security patrols. The area is managed as a Type 1 Wildlife Management Area. The majority of the property is open for hiking year-round and camping is available by permit.

### **Lake Walk-in-Water**

Polk County participated as a 50 percent acquisition partner under its Environmental Lands Program, and the county is also lead manager. The county contracted for preparation of a management and public use plan. It is being managed as the Sumica Natural Area after the historic logging town that existed on the site in the 1920s. In 2002 the county treated 45 acres of exotics and burned 346 acres. Current public uses include hiking and primitive camping. Future plans include hunting and horseback riding.

### **Reedy Creek**

For management purposes the project is divided into Upper and Lower Reedy Creek. The Upper Reedy Creek Management Area includes those lands north of Pleasant Hill Road and is approximately 4,800 acres. The Lower Reedy Creek Management Area encompasses approximately seven miles of creek corridor and totals approximately 5,600 acres under ownership. Management goals for both areas are to conserve and protect water resources and supplies, protect and restore the land in its natural state and condition and provide compatible public use opportunities. The Lake Russell Management Unit in Poinciana is jointly managed by Osceola County Schools as an environmental education facility. A center with classrooms and displays has been built, which provide interpretation to the scrub, Lake Russell and floodplain swamp communities that exist on site. An



interpretive hiking trail describes the unique plant communities and wildlife that exist in the scrub habitat of the site. District staff burned 9,300 acres in 2002 and more than 10,000 acres were treated for control of exotic vegetation. The FWC has identified the area of Lower Reedy Creek as a “Strategic Habitat Conservation Area,” a “Biodiversity Hotspot,” and a “Priority Wetland for Listed Species.” These designations make the area a priority for preservation based on known occurrences of rare or listed species. District staff assisted its contractor in tracking and identifying nighttime resting and foraging sites of the southeastern big-eared bat. There are several active cattle leases and reservations in this area.

### **Shingle Creek**

The District has undertaken several successful restoration projects within Shingle Creek Swamp, but the area still is not open due to a lack of legal public access. A management plan was completed in 1997 and is being updated in 2003. Exotics are being treated and prescribed burning has been done. The Marriott development to the north has constructed a parking area and boardwalk/trail that leads to the District-owned lands. The two areas do not quite border each area and the homeowners association of the land in between have been unwilling to grant the District a public access easement. Negotiations are ongoing and we are still optimistic they will convey an easement. The District continues to pursue public access and is confident it will be established soon. The land acquisition plan for Phase II of the Orlando Beltway Mitigation was approved in FY 2002. This mitigation will provide \$7 million for land acquisition and restoration in the Shingle Creek, Reedy Creek and Lake Marion Creek Basin.

### **Tibet Butler Preserve**

The Preserve covers 439 acres along the southwest shore of Lake Tibet-Butler in Orange County. Vegetative communities include bay swamp, pine flatwoods, cypress swamp and smaller areas of xeric oak and freshwater marsh. The Tibet Butler Preserve site includes approximately 4,000 feet of shoreline on Lake Tibet.

Orange County Parks and Recreation Department manages Tibet Butler Preserve as an environmental education facility. The property is open for public use. A large enclosed education center with classrooms was constructed several years ago. It has a full-time staff, which conducts programs for thousands of students each year. Land managers also treat exotic vegetation and maintain the system of hiking trails and boardwalks that lead to the many community types on the property. Limited prescribed burning has been done due to the small size of the site and close proximity to roads and urban development.

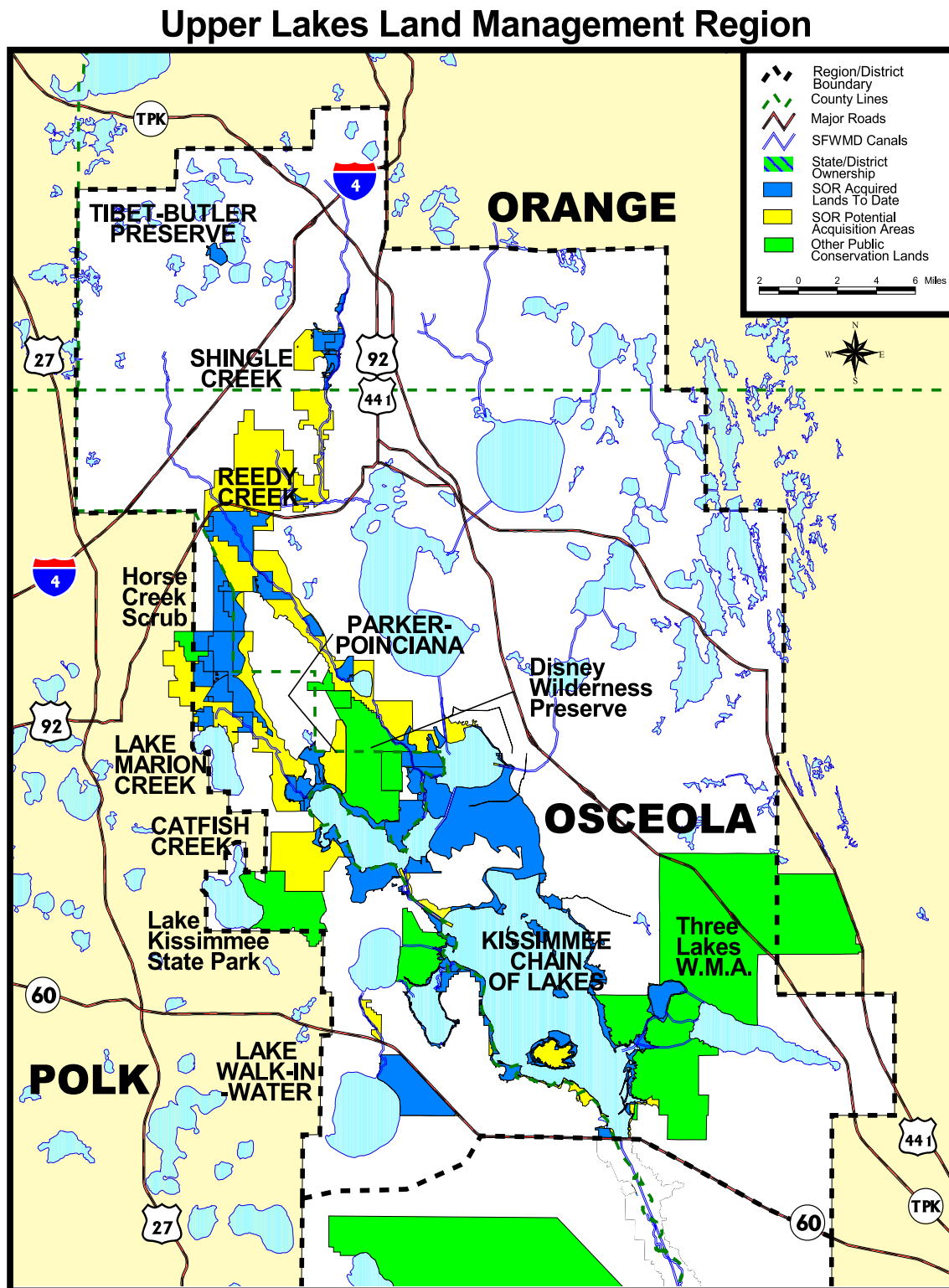


Figure C-1. Upper Lakes Land Management Region.

## **Kissimmee/Okeechobee Land Management Region**

### **Kissimmee Prairie Ecosystem**

The project is managed by Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Division of Recreation and Parks under lease from the District and State and is known as Kissimmee Prairie State Preserve. A State-approved management plan is in place that addresses prescribed burning, exotic control and public use. SFWMD obtained a federal grant to restore hydrology to a major slough on the property, and Kissimmee River restoration has been completed along the western boundary.

### **Kissimmee River**

The District shares management responsibility with FWC in Pools A, C, D, E and Paradise Run. Management activities in Pools C & D are evolving in nature until river restoration is complete. A management plan for Pools C & D was recently completed. Exotic plant control and prescribed burning take place above the 100-year flood line on all District lands. Below the flood line District-owned marshes along the river are open to airboating and are included in FWC's Kissimmee River Public Use Area, which is open to hunting under FWC regulations. Recently completed river restoration efforts in Pools B & C will provide excellent opportunities for canoeing, fishing and overnight camping on District-owned lands along the river. The 7,000+ acre KICCO tract in Pool A is open for equestrian and bicycle use, and contains a well-used stretch of the Florida National Scenic Trail. Logging under a timber management plan is underway on 600+ acres at the north end of KICCO. In FY 2002, 650 acres were prescribed burned and 3,000 acres were treated for control of exotic vegetation. Planning for additional wetland restoration in KICCO is well underway. Construction of these projects is anticipated in late FY 2003 or early FY 2004. There are several active cattle leases and reservations in this area.

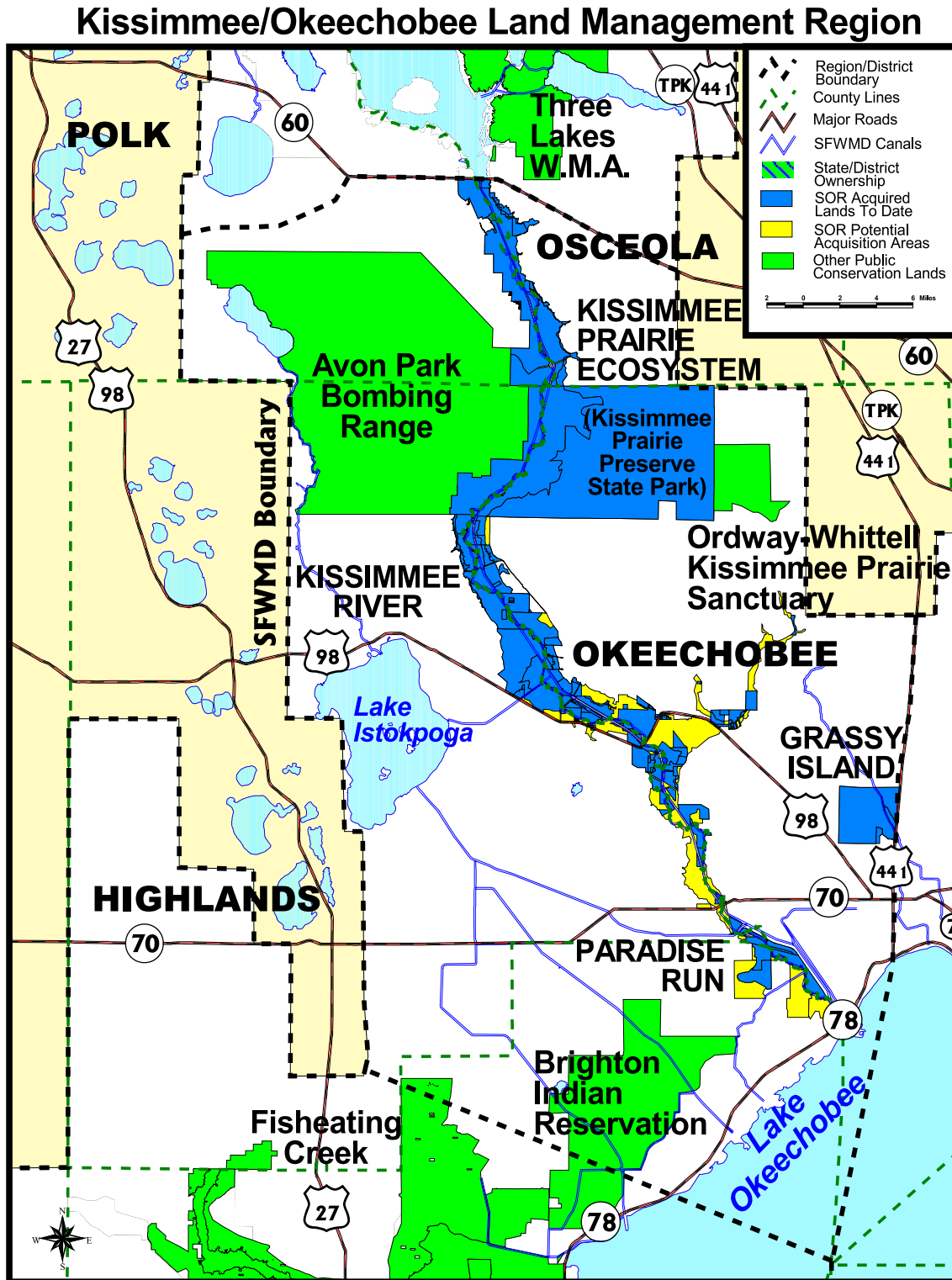


Figure C-2. Kissimmee/Okeechobee Land Management Region.

## **East Coast Land Management Region**

### **Allapattah Flats**

In 2002 the District purchased 13,000 acres within the project as part of the Indian River Lagoon Initiative of CERP, with funding assistance from Martin County and the federal government. It is proposed that the ditches and swales that were excavated to drain and improve the property for cattle grazing will be plugged and filled, and the ranch's extensive wetlands allowed to reflood through funding from the Natural Resource Conservation Service's Wetland Reserve Program. Flood attenuation and water quality improvement are the expected outcomes from the project. A second purchase of 7,300 acres was made in late 2002. Final determination of the lead managing agency is yet to be determined, but the District will be lead manager in the interim. A management plan is under development that will address exotic vegetation control, prescribed burning and public use. A hydrologic and habitat restoration plan will be developed as a separate document. Upon termination of a hunting lease in 2003 it is anticipated that those portions of Allapattah not undergoing restoration will be opened for hunting and other public uses, such as hiking, wilderness camping and horseback riding. There is an active cattle lease on this property.

### **Atlantic Ridge Ecosystem**

Atlantic Ridge is being managed by FDEP, Division of Recreation and Parks, under a joint management lease from SFWMD and the Division of State Lands. The area will be known as Atlantic Ridge Preserve State Park. A management plan is near completion that outlines the goals and objectives for the park. The plan describes hydrologic restoration and staffing needs, plans for exotic control and prescribed burning and a public use program. It is proposed that initial public use facilities use will include an interpretive kiosk, trailhead and hiking trails, camping and equestrian trails with an on site stable and paddocks. The existing lease is being modified to remove the lands along the west bank of the South Fork St. Lucie River from state responsibility and turn them over to Martin County for management.

### **DuPuis Reserve**

An updated management plan is in preparation and will be completed in FY 2002. SFWMD and FWC jointly manage DuPuis. Stewardship activities include prescribed burning, exotic plant control and a forest management program to reintroduce red-cockaded woodpeckers. In FY 2002, 3,400 acres were burned and 4,100 acres were chemically treated for exotic plants. An extensive public use program at DuPuis that attracts thousands of visitors annually includes hunting, fishing, equestrian trails, hiking and camping. An environmental education facility is near completion at the DuPuis headquarters building that includes indoor displays and an interpretive trail.

### **Indian River Lagoon**

Indian River Lagoon (IRL) is managed by St. Lucie County under a lease from SFWMD and the Division of State Lands. IRL property is incorporated into the County's mosquito control program where mosquitoes are controlled by non-chemical means. This method results in greatly improved water quality and wildlife and fisheries habitat in the lagoon. Mosquito impoundment berms are accessible to the public and provide excellent opportunities for fishing, crabbing and bird watching. The property includes ocean beachfront. Plans are underway to remove exotic Australian pines and provide public beach access.

### **Loxahatchee River**

District owned lands along the river are managed by FDEP Division of Recreation and Parks and Palm Beach County Parks and Recreation Department. FDEP manages the area north of State Road 706 (Indiantown Road) as part of Jonathan Dickinson State Park. The county manages the lands south of the road as Riverbend County Park. Both managers have done extensive treatment of exotics. Palm Beach County, in conjunction with the District, is completing hydrologic restoration of its management area in an attempt to restore a major tributary to the Loxahatchee River. The restoration project will enable water to be delivered to the river through a more natural flow way. FDEP manages its lands under the Jonathan Dickinson State Park plan. The county has a development plan for Riverbend Park. A management plan will be developed as park development progresses.

### **Loxahatchee Slough**

The District is currently managing the property, but agreements were made with Palm Beach County (PBC) Department of Environmental Resources Management that will eventually result in District lands being managed by the county as part of their much larger Loxahatchee Slough natural Area. In 2000 the District signed a cooperative agreement with the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) that provides a 75 percent funding match for hydrologic restoration of old farm fields under the Wetland Reserve Program. Restoration efforts are currently underway to remove nuisance shrubs and exotic vegetation, plug ditches to restore hydrologic sheetflow and replant former flatwoods in south Florida slash pine.

### **North Fork St. Lucie River**

State, County and District-owned lands along the North Fork are being managed by St. Lucie County and FDEP, as part of the North Fork Aquatic Preserve. Both agencies are treating exotics and conducting limited prescribed burns. Burning is extremely difficult due to the surrounding urban development. St. Lucie County operates an environmental education center along the river that incorporates indoor displays with outdoor programming that utilizes interpretive trails, towers and boardwalks.

**Pal-Mar**

The State and District-owned lands are under management lease to FWC using an approved management plan. Resource inventories are being conducted by FWC and exotic infestations have been mapped and treatments began in 2002. Prescribed burning will commence in FY 2003. The management plan calls for public use that includes hiking, horseback riding, camping, hunting and fishing. FWC is managing the Martin County lands as the John C. and Marianna Jones Hungryland Wildlife and Environmental Area. A plan to remove spoil and associated exotic vegetation that will also provide parking and public access is underway and expected to commence in FY 2003. A plan is underway to sell lands owned by PBC that are north of State Road 706 (Indiantown Road) to the State for management by FWC. Palm Beach County would continue to manage their lands south of Indiantown Road.

**South Fork St. Lucie River**

The District has owned and managed the 84 acres along the west bank of the South Fork since the mid-1980s. When the Atlantic Ridge project was purchased its lands bordered the South Fork property on both sides of the river. The management lease that is in effect between FDEP and the District is being revised to have Martin County Parks and Recreation manage the South Fork property on the west side of the river and incorporate it into the natural areas portion of the county's Halpatiokee Park. Exotic control and prescribed burning along the river will be incorporated into the park's annual work plan.

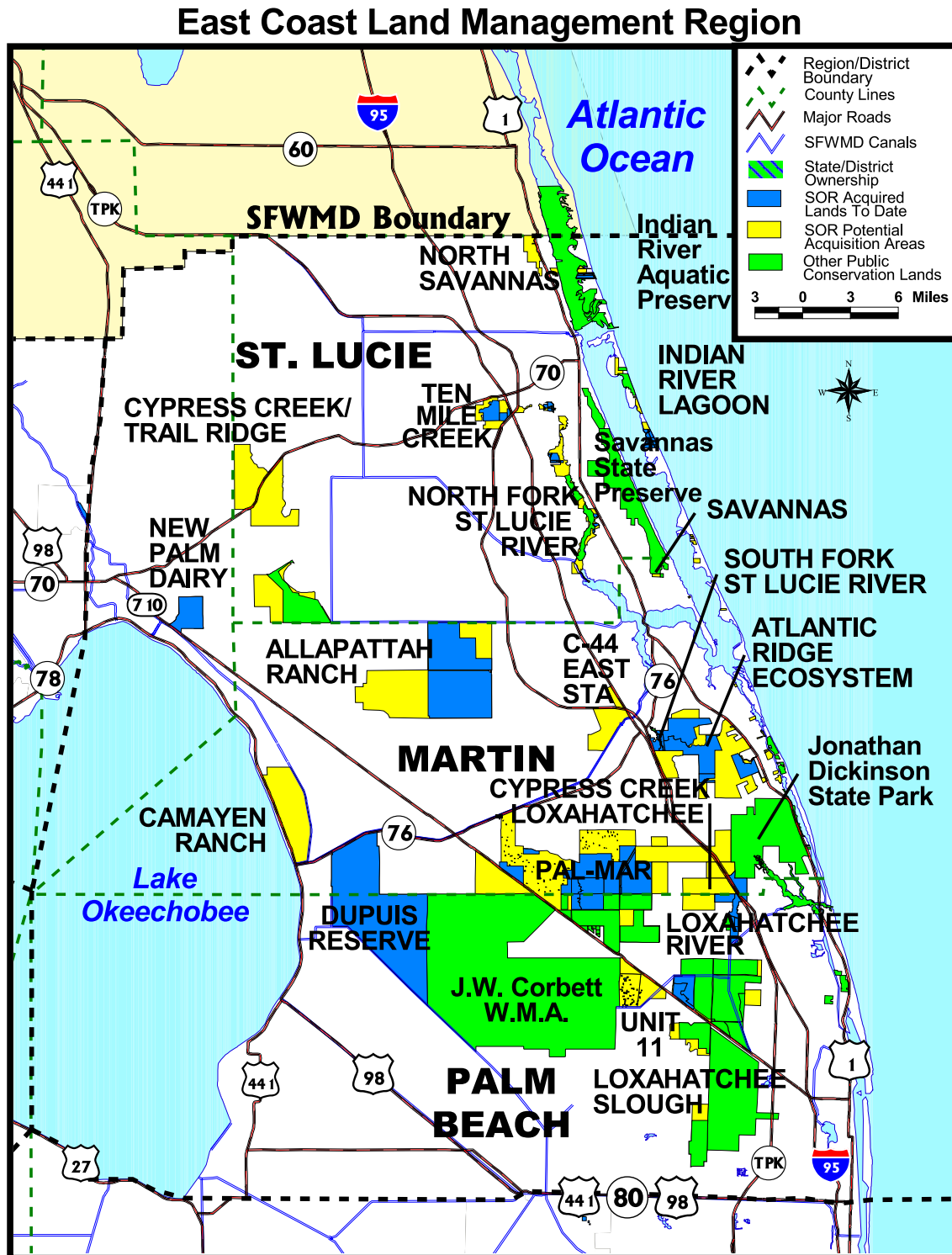


Figure C-3. East Coast Land Management Region.



## **Everglades Land Management Region**

### **Model Lands**

The Model Lands project will play a vital role in conveyance and treatment of sheetflow from the south Dade area to Florida Bay. It is a combination of fresh and saltwater wetlands that are heavily infested with exotic vegetation. Although the District owns more than 4,000 acres there is no public use program due to lack of legal access. The major management activity has been treating exotic vegetation. Hydrologic restoration in the form of ditch plugging is necessary, but cannot be undertaken due to patchy ownership and use of the canals for drainage by upstream landowners. No management plan has been prepared. Preparation is anticipated in 2003.

### **Southern Glades**

Southern Glades is managed under a lease agreement as the Southern Glades Wildlife and Environmental Area by FWC and is open to airboating, hiking, fishing, hunting, bicycling and horseback riding. The District is directing mitigation funds for habitat restoration that includes exotic removal and revegetation with native species. In FY 2002, fishing platform construction was completed, 1800 acres were prescribe burned, 150 acres of exotics were chemically treated and 20 acres of tropical hammock were cleared and replanted.

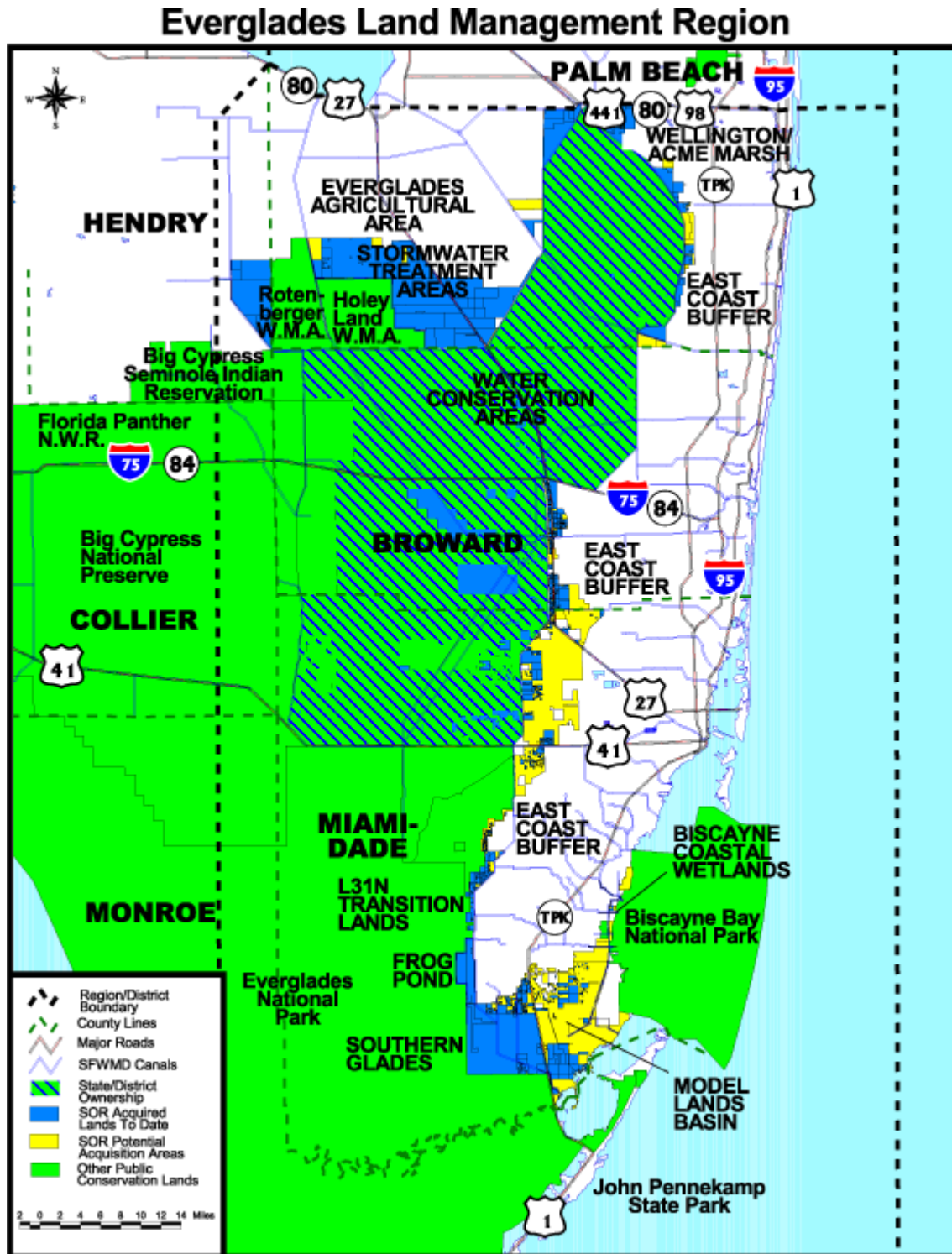


Figure C-4. Everglades Land Management Region.

## **West Coast Land Management Region**

### **Corkscrew Regional Ecosystem Watershed (CREW)**

SFWMD and FWC jointly manage CREW. The public use and environmental education program is directed by the CREW Land and Water Trust. The management plan was recently updated and describes plans for exotic control, prescribed burning, upland restoration opportunities and public use. Property boundaries are posted and FWC Wildlife Officers patrol the property. In FY 2002, 600 acres were prescribed burned and 20,000 acres of exotics were treated. Although the District, State and Lee County have acquired more than 23,000 acres, only a narrow strip of Corkscrew Marsh along SR 850 is legally accessible. At that location the CREW Trust and SFWMD have developed an interpretive hiking trail and constructed an observation platform that overlooks Corkscrew Marsh. An extensive network of tram roads in Bird Rookery Swamp will provide public use opportunities to more than 6,000 acres of CREW. Legal access was finally obtained in 2002 and plans are being developed to construct an access road that will facilitate public use in 2003. The District completed a 10 acre hydrologic and habitat restoration project in FY 2002.

### **Nicodemus Slough**

Nicodemus Slough is the only SOR tract under management by a private entity. The District contracts with Aim Engineering, Inc. for management services that include exotic control, prescribed burning and maintaining the public use facilities. A hydrologic restoration project that was undertaken by the District many years ago has been disappointing and has caused much dissatisfaction with the adjoining property owner. The District has been attempting to reach a suitable agreement with the adjoining landowner whereby the property would be sold to them and a conservation easement retained by the District.

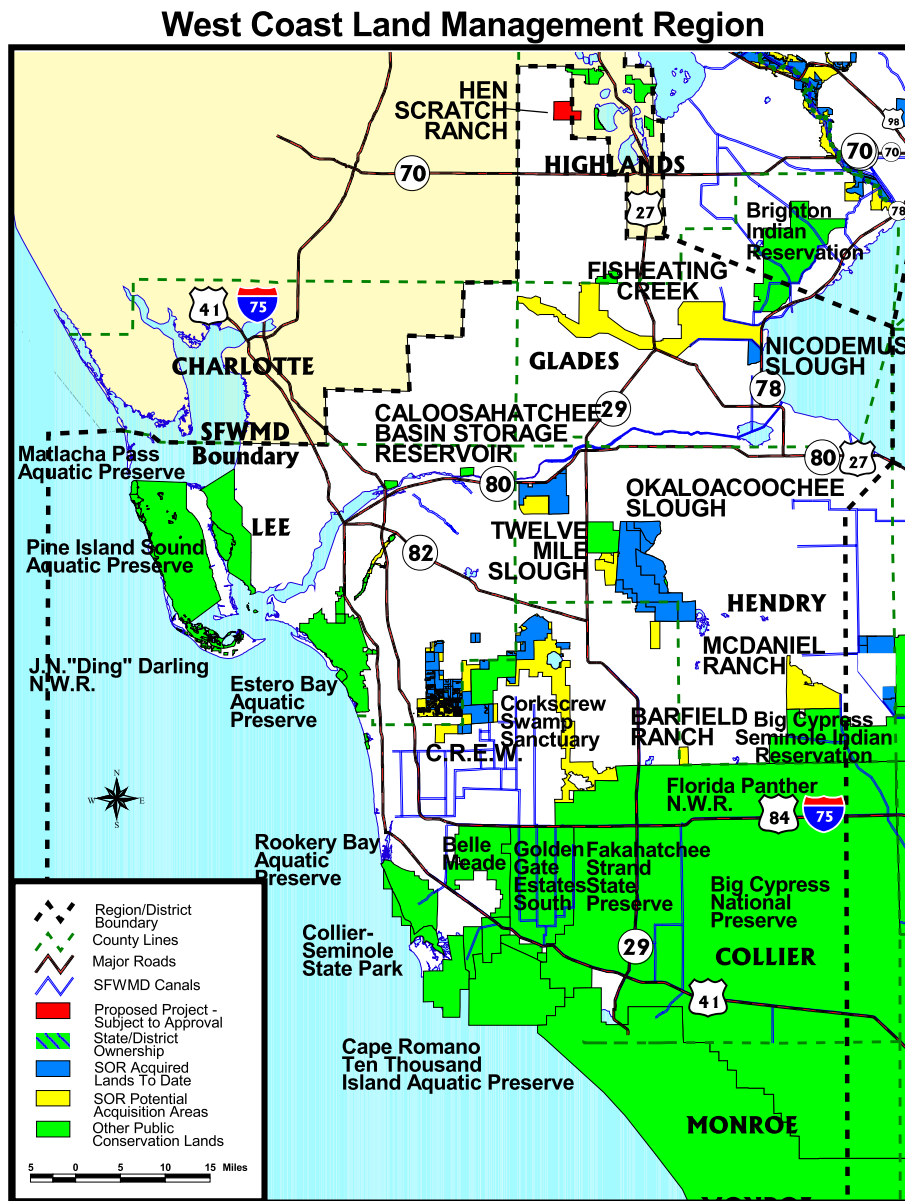
### **Okaloacoochee Slough**

The Division of Forestry (DOF) and FWC purchased additional lands in the project that expand the original District/State purchase. The project is managed as Okaloacoochee Slough State Forest with DOF as the lead manager, and FWC responsible for wildlife management under a 4-party lease agreement with the Division of State Lands and the District. FWC manages the project as a Type 1 Wildlife Management Area and conducts a public hunt program. Exotic treatment, prescribed burning and creating more public access have been the main management objectives. An approved management plan is in place.

### **Six Mile Cypress**

The property is jointly owned by Lee County and the District and has been managed by Lee County Parks and Recreation since acquisition began. An updated management plan is currently under review. Treatment of exotic vegetation is ongoing. Prescribed burning is difficult due to the surrounding urban development. The county built

and maintains a boardwalk and outdoor classroom facility that is used by 35,000 Lee County students and citizens each year. Six Mile Cypress likely has the highest rate of public visitation of any SOR project.



**Figure C-5.** West Coast Land Management Region.

## **INTERIM PROPERTY MANAGEMENT AND LAND STEWARDSHIP**

This section is a summary of the funding, staffing and land management activity for every project funded under P2000, Florida Forever and WMLTF for which the District is responsible.

**Table C-2. Funding and Staffing by Project (Fiscal Year 2002).**

Project Name	County	Size (ac.)	Acquired (ac.)	Acquisition Partners	Manage. FTEs	Expenditures	
						O&M	Restoration
Land Stewardship Projects							
Allapattah Flats	Martin		13,185	Martin Co./Federal			
Atlantic Ridge Ecosystem	Martin	13,122	5,974	CARL	0.1	20,000	
CREW Mitigation Bank	Lee	633	633	None	0.5	102,000	
CREW	Lee/Collier	59,312	23,370	CARL/Lee County	4.6	934,000	460,000
DuPuis	PB/Martin	21,875	21,875	None	5.3	1,076,000	150,000
East Coast Buffer	PB/Brow/Dade	68,965	20,994	Federal	0.4	81,000	650,000
Indian River Lagoon	Martin/St. Lucie	1,550	598	St. Lucie/ CARL/Federal	0.1		
Kissimmee Chain of Lakes	Polk/Osceola	40,238	27,844	None	2	406,000	
Kissimmee Prairie	Okeechobee	45,631	38,284	CARL	0.2	41,000	
Kissimmee River	Highlands/Okee/ Polk/Osceola	62,635	52,000	None	4.4	893,000	
Lake Marion Creek	Polk	17,300	10,500	Polk County	2	406,000	
Lake Walk-in-Water	Polk	4,109	4,109	Polk County	0.1	20,000	
Loxahatchee River	PB/Martin	1,936	1,926	None	0.4	81,000	
Loxahatchee Slough	Palm Beach	15,200	1,425	None	0.4	81,000	exotics
Model Lands	Miami-Dade	42,402	4,160	Miami-Dade County	1	203,000	
Nicodemus Slough	Glades	2,219	2,219	None	0.1	20,000	
N. Fork St. Lucie River	St. Lucie	3,800	442	St. Lucie County/ CARL	0.2	41,000	
Okaloacoochee Slough	Hendry/Collier	37,210	34,429	CARL/DOF/FWC	0.1	20,000	
Pal-Mar	PB/Martin	36,814	10,307	CARL	0.4	81,000	
Paradise Run	Glades	4,265	1,673	None	0.1	20,000	
Reedy Creek	Osceola	30,000	4,800	None	2	406,000	
Shingle Creek	Orange	7,655	1,500	None	1.8	365,000	
Six Mile Cypress	Lee	1,741	829	Lee County	0.1	20,000	
S. Fork St. Lucie River	Martin	184	184	None	0.1	20,000	
Southern Glades	Miami-Dade	37,620	32,299	None	1	203,000	
Tibet-Butler Preserve	Orange	439	439	None	0.1	20,000	
Water Conservation Areas	PB/Brow/Dade	105,047	51,421	None	0.3	61,000	
Administration/Planning	District-wide	N/A	N/A	N/A	1.8	365,000	
	Totals	661,902	354,234		29.6	5,986,000	1,260,000
Water Resource Projects							
C-23/C-24 Storage Reservoirs	St. Lucie	1,133	1,133	Soetf-General	0.1	12,905	
C-51/L--8 Basin Mode + Reservoir	Palm Beach	203	203	None	0.0	0	
Caloos. Basin Reservoir/Other WC	Hendry	12,500	8,700	Federal, State	0.1	12,905	
East Coast Buffer	PB/Brow/Dade	66,809	23,151	Federal, State, County	2.3	296,812	720,000
Everglades Ag. Area	Palm Beach	51,210	51,210	Federal, State, Private	1.0	129,049	
Frog Pond/L-31N	Miami-Dade	10,450	9,386	Federal, State	1.0	129,049	
Grassy Island Ranch	Okeechobee	4,785	4,785	Federal	0.5	64,525	
Lake Okee Water Retention Project	Okeechobee	13	13	District	0.1	1,2905	
New Palm Dairy	Okeechobee	2,136	2,136	State	0.5	64,525	
Rolling Meadows Ranch	Polk	5,825	5,825	State	0.1	12,905	
Stormwater Treatment Areas	Palm Beach	47,630	45,519	Federal, State	0.1	12,905	
Ten Mile Creek	St. Lucie	1,266	922	None	0.1	12,905	
Wellington/Acme Marsh	Palm Beach	1,050	375	None	0.1	12,905	
Admin/Planning/Other Projects	District-wide	N/A	N/A	N/A	1.00	129,049	
	Totals	205,010	153,358		7.0	903,344	720,000

**Table C-3. Save Our Rivers Management Status.**

Land Management Region	Mgt. Plan Status	Mgt.- Lead (secondary)	Public Access	Recreational/ Educational Opportunities					
				Env. Ed.	Hunt	Eques	Airboat	Camp	Hike
Upper Lakes Region									
Catfish Creek	none	SFWMD	X		X		X	X	X
Lake Kissimmee Management Area		SFWMD	X		X	X	X	X	X
Lake Marion Creek	complete	SFWMD (FWC)	X		X			X	X
Lake Walk-in-Water	in-prep	Polk Co.	X					X	X
Upper Reedy Creek	none	SFWMD	X	X					X
Lower Reedy Creek	in-prep	SFWMD	X		X	X	X	X	X
Shingle Creek	complete	SFWMD	none						
Kissimmee-Okeechobee Region									
Pool A	in-prep	SFWMD (FWC)	X		X	X	X	X	X
Pool B	complete	FDEP	X	X		X		X	X
Pool C	complete	SFWMD (FWC)	X		X	X	X	X	X
Pool D	complete	SFWMD (FWC)	X		X	X	X	X	X
Pool E	none	SFWMD (FWC)	X		X				
Paradise Run	none	SFWMD (FWC)	X		X		X		X
East Coast Region									
Atlantic Ridge	in-prep	FDEP	X					X	X
DuPuis	complete	SFWMD (FWC)	X	X	X	X		X	X
Loxahatchee River	complete	FDEP	X						X
Loxahatchee Slough	none	SFWMD	none						
North Fork St. Lucie R.	in-prep	FDEP	X	X					X
Pal-Mar	in-prep	FWC	X		X	X		X	X
Everglades Region									
Everglades Buffer Strip	none	SFWMD	X						X
Model Lands	none	SFWMD (Dade)	X						X
Southern Glades	complete	FWC (SFWMD)	X		X	X	X	X	X
West Coast Region									
CREW	complete	SFWMD (FWC)	X	X	X			X	X
Nicodemus Slough	complete	Aim Eng., Inc.	X				X		X
Okaloacoochee Slough	in-prep	DOF (FWC)	X		X			X	X
Six Mile Cypress	complete	Lee Co.	X	X					X

